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Office of Recovery and Resiliency

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TO: Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee

Chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee

Fiscal Research Division

FROM: Casandra Skinner Hoekstra, Interim Secretary

Laura Hogshead, NC Office of Recovery and Resiliency, Director

RE: Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program Report

DATE: August 10, 2021

Pursuant to Session Law 2021-25, Section 3.4.(k), the Office of Recovery and Resiliency in the Department of Public Safety (Office) shall submit a report no later than July 1, 2021, to the chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division containing at least all of the following:

- (1) Amount of federal funds received from the Consolidated Appropriations Act and the American Rescue Plan Act, actually expended, by county and region for rent and by county and region for utilities, under the Emergency Rental Assistance program.
- (2) Amount of federal funds received from the Consolidated Appropriations Act and the American Rescue Plan Act, contractually obligated, by county and region for rent and by county and region for utilities, under the Emergency Rental Assistance program.
- (3) Recommendations on statewide reallotments, by county and region, needed in advance of the federal deadline for reallocation of unused funds, including rationale for the recommended reallotments and an estimate of the outstanding needs by county and region. The recommendation should also include any funds that are not anticipated to be needed for the ten percent (10%) set aside for housing stability services and administrative costs.

Please find the ERA program report attached.

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EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REPORT

Session Law 2021-25, Section 3.4(k)

Office of Recovery and Resiliency
Department of Public Safety

August 5, 2021







Emergency Rental Assistance Funds Legislative Reporting for The Housing Opportunities and Prevention of Evictions Program (HOPE)

Emergency Rental Assistance Program

First authorized by Congress in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, P.L. 116-260, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA1) is administered by the US Department of Treasury and provides states, U.S. territories, designated local governments, and Indian tribes or Tribally Designated Housing Entities with \$25 billion to assist low- and moderate-income renters with rent and utility costs. After the devastating economic impact of the Coronavirus pandemic, millions of renters across the nation faced mounting rental debts and possible eviction. These rental debts left landlords without critical income to cover mortgage costs, maintain properties, and receive expected earnings through lease agreements. The Emergency Rental Assistance Program was established to provide help to renters and their landlords during the pandemic recovery and provide housing security during this difficult time for many American families.

With the passage of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, P.L. 117-2, Congress expanded the Emergency Rental Assistance Program by appropriating an additional \$21.55 billion (ERA2).

The State of North Carolina's Emergency Rental Assistance Allocations

SL 2021-3, Section 1.4. appropriated ERA1 funds received from federal grants authorized under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, P.L. 116-260 to be deposited in the State's Treasury and administered by the responsible agency with approval of the Director of the Budget. This Section further names the Office of Recovery and Resiliency, Department of Public Safety (NCORR) as the administering agency for ERA1 in the amount of \$546,596,104. NCORR shall request a transfer of funds from the Office of State Budget and Management on a monthly basis.

SL 2021-25, Section 3.2(a) appropriated an additional \$556,611,000 of ERA2 funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2) to be administered by NCORR.

The North Carolina Pandemic Recovery Office (NCPRO) in the Office of State Budget and Management represents North Carolina as the US Treasury grantee for ERA1 and ERA2. As of this report, NCPRO has designated \$389,442,833 of the ERA1 state allocation to NCORR through a memorandum of agreement. Remaining ERA1 funds are held in reserve to provide additional support to local governments as set out in SL 2021-25, Section 3.4(d).

At this time, ERA2 funds have not been made available to NCORR by NCPRO or the Office of State Budget and Management.

The HOPE Program

The Housing Opportunities and Prevention of Evictions (HOPE) Program was originally established in October 2020 to provide rental and utility assistance to low- and moderate-income households economically impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. This initial phase of the HOPE Program was funded by Community Development Block Grant – Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) grants from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) grants from the US Department of Treasury. Both grant programs were authorized by Congress in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020.

On May 17, 2021, NCORR launched the second phase of the HOPE Program with updated policies and a new program delivery model. The new phase of the HOPE Program is exclusively funded by ERA1 and eventually ERA2.

The HOPE Program includes two major components – rent assistance and utility assistance, both provided to low- and moderate-income renter households in 88 counties across the state. Rental assistance covers up to nine months of rent arrears and 3 months of future rent – for a maximum of 12 months of assistance. For recipients that do not require a full 12 months of assistance in their first application, eligible recipients may reapply after 3 months for a maximum of 3 months of additional future rent assistance. Award payments are made directly to the landlord on behalf of the renter.

Utility assistance provides 3 months of utility arrears to eligible applicants. Assistance covers critical utility services such as electricity, natural gas, propane, water, and wastewater. Need is established by a utility bill with an unpaid balance and no future months of assistance is provided for utility awards. In order to receive utility assistance, the applicant must have a need for rental assistance. Awards are paid directly to the utility provider on behalf of the renter.

The HOPE Program does not serve renters in local government jurisdictions that received direct Emergency Rental Assistance appropriations under the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 or the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. These local government jurisdictions are Buncombe County, Cabarrus County, City of Fayetteville, Cumberland County, City of Durham, Durham County, City of Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, Gaston County, City of Greensboro, Guilford County, Johnston County, City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, New Hanover County, Union County, City of Raleigh, and Wake County. The HOPE Program serves the remaining 88 counties across the state.

Reporting Requirements

SL 2021-25, Section 3.4(k) directs NCORR to report on the expenditures and obligations by county and region (per SL 2021-25, Section 3.4.(f)) of the ERA1 and ERA2 funds to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the Chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division. This report should also contain NCORR's recommendations on statewide reallotments, by county and region, needed before the federal deadline to re-allocate unused funds.

Detail of reporting requirements as written in SL 2021-25, Section 3.4.(k):

SECTION 3.4.(k) The Office shall submit a report no later than July 1, 2021, to the chairs of the House Appropriations Committee, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division containing at least all of the following:

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Allotments by County and Region

In addition to the general requirements set out in SL 2021-25, the General Assembly directed NCORR to reserve or allot a maximum amount of ERA1 and ERA2 funding to provide assistance based on counties grouped into council of government regions (Section 3.4.(f)). These regions exclude the counties receiving direct ERA1 and ERA2 appropriations from the federal government. The maximum amounts by region are as follows:

- \$29,472,777 to Region A (Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain Counties).
- \$20,252,053 to Region B (Henderson, Madison, and Transylvania Counties).
- \$34,297,905 to Region C (Cleveland, McDowell, Polk, and Rutherford Counties).
- \$31,500,652 to Region D (Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yancey Counties).
- \$49,564,633 to Region E (Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, and Catawba Counties).
- \$56,766,859 to Region F (Anson, Iredell, Lincoln, Rowan, and Stanly Counties).
- \$107,644,512 to Region G (Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Davie, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin Counties).
- \$39,711,535 to Region J (Chatham, Lee, Moore, and Orange Counties).
- \$32,087,967 to Region K (Franklin, Granville, Person, Vance, and Warren Counties).
- \$46,735,614 to Region L (Edgecombe, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, and Wilson Counties).
- \$26,201,509 to Region M (Harnett and Sampson Counties).

- \$51,374,676 to Region N (Bladen, Hoke, Richmond, Robeson, and Scotland Counties).
- \$32,117,037 to Region O (Brunswick, Columbus, and Pender Counties).
- \$91,101,787 to Region P (Carteret, Craven, Duplin, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, Onslow, Pamlico, and Wayne Counties).
- \$41,034,412 to Region Q (Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford, Martin, and Pitt Counties).
- \$21,892,087 to Region R (Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hyde, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington Counties).

ERA Rent and Utility Awards Obligated by Region

The following table represents all active awards produced by the HOPE Program with ERA1 funds as of July 28, 2021. An active award is an award that is calculated and established for an eligible applicant. Active Awards include awards that have been paid or are in the process of being paid. Active awards are considered obligated under the guidelines published by the US Department of Treasury. NCORR has not obligated ERA2 funds for rent and utility assistance at the time of this report.

Region/County	Re	nt Awards	Ut	ility Awards	To	otal Active Awards
REGION A	\$	1,280,715	\$	190,602	\$	1,471,317
Cherokee	\$	140,245	\$	12,624	\$	152,869
Clay	\$	35,565	\$	1,075	\$	36,640
Graham	\$	55,000	\$	6,676	\$	61,676
Haywood	\$	470,615	\$	87,867	\$	558,482
Jackson	\$	334,693	\$	38,638	\$	373,331
Macon	\$	148,670	\$	33,823	\$	182,493
Swain	\$	95,927	\$	9,898	\$	105,825
REGION B	\$	1,577,833	\$	150,665	\$	1,728,498
Henderson	\$	1,326,353	\$	117,538	\$	1,443,891
Madison	\$	97,990	\$	1,795	\$	99,785
Transylvania	\$	153,490	\$	31,333	\$	184,823
REGION C	\$	5,330,087	\$	624,418	\$	5,954,505
Cleveland	\$	3,426,723	\$	395,000	\$	3,821,723
McDowell	\$	376,014	\$	42,217	\$	418,231
Polk	\$	85,159	\$	11,397	\$	96,556
Rutherford	\$	1,442,191	\$	175,804	\$	1,617,995
REGION D	\$	1,297,553	\$	108,572	\$	1,406,125
Alleghany	\$	51,695	\$	3,389	\$	55,084
Ashe	\$	69,510	\$	3,451	\$	72,961
Avery	\$	36,280	\$	-	\$	36,280
Mitchell	\$	42,389	\$	14,180	\$	56,569
Watauga	\$	462,101	\$	13,199	\$	475,300
Wilkes	\$	586,668	\$	71,210	\$	657,878
Yancey	\$	48,910	\$	3,143	\$	52,053

REGION E	\$	3,652,546	\$	453,823	\$ 4,106,369
Alexander	\$	348,823	\$	38,699	\$ 387,521
Burke	\$	661,477	\$	64,956	\$ 726,432
Caldwell	\$	785,743	\$	123,477	\$ 909,220
Catawba	\$	1,856,503	\$	226,692	\$ 2,083,196
REGION F	\$	9,435,131	\$	1,015,626	\$ 10,450,757
Anson	\$	934,997	\$	93,168	\$ 1,028,165
Iredell	\$	3,441,319	\$	279,059	\$ 3,720,378
Lincoln	\$	761,271	\$	64,489	\$ 825,760
Rowan	\$	3,299,454	\$	435,367	\$ 3,734,822
Stanly	\$	998,089	\$	143,544	\$ 1,141,633
REGION G	\$	15,761,536	\$	2,218,781	\$ 17,980,317
Alamance	\$	6,604,165	\$	726,620	\$ 7,330,785
Caswell	\$	237,618	\$	42,828	\$ 280,446
Davidson	\$	2,476,360	\$	561,821	\$ 3,038,182
Davie	\$	429,377	\$	58,620	\$ 487,997
Montgomery	\$	720,228	\$	65,639	\$ 785,867
Randolph	\$	1,646,095	\$	258,094	\$ 1,904,189
Rockingham	\$	2,237,793	\$	339,554	\$ 2,577,347
Stokes	\$	314,114	\$	36,778	\$ 350,892
Surry	\$	723,963	\$	90,057	\$ 814,021
Yadkin	\$	371,821	\$	38,771	\$ 410,592
REGION J	\$	5,814,932	\$	593,499	\$ 6,408,431
Chatham	\$	614,366	\$	74,772	\$ 689,138
Lee	\$	1,387,538	\$	138,524	\$ 1,526,062
Moore	\$	949,535	\$	108,122	\$ 1,057,657
Orange	\$	2,863,493	\$	272,081	\$ 3,135,575
REGION K	\$	6,309,195	\$	703,422	\$ 7,012,617
Franklin	\$	1,328,301	\$	128,011	\$ 1,456,312
Granville	\$	1,827,433	\$	133,988	\$ 1,961,421
Person	\$	827,768	\$	99,197	\$ 926,965
Vance	\$	2,325,693	\$	342,227	\$ 2,667,920
Warren	\$	371,412	\$	12,226	\$ 383,638
REGION L	\$	31,907,571	\$	2,336,048	\$ 34,243,619
Edgecombe	\$	7,444,815	\$	459,984	\$ 7,904,799
Halifax	\$	8,368,844	\$	515,409	\$ 8,884,253
Nash		7,923,010	\$	821,547	\$ 8,744,557
Northampton	\$ \$	1,987,032	\$	114,697	\$ 2,101,729
Wilson	\$	6,183,869		424,412	\$ 6,608,281
REGION M	\$	4,278,209	\$	444,074	\$ 4,722,283
Harnett	\$	2,975,123	\$	311,402	\$ 3,286,525
Sampson	\$	1,303,086	\$	132,672	\$ 1,435,758
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Grand Total	\$1	66,838,861.65	\$1	4,495,772.69	\$	181,334,634.34
Washington	\$	789,459	\$	164,221	\$	953,680
Tyrrell	\$	57,017	\$	20,092	\$	77,109
Perquimans	\$	167,456	\$	37,534	\$	204,990
Pasquotank	\$	1,239,757	\$	171,026	\$ \$ \$	1,410,782
Hyde	\$ \$	45,180	\$	6,694		51,874
Gates	\$	255,641	\$	8,330	\$	263,972
Dare	\$	142,670	\$	22,577	\$	165,247
Currituck	\$	228,705	\$	60,717	\$	289,422
Chowan	\$	281,633	\$	30,644	\$	312,277
Camden	\$	217,269	\$	20,763	\$	238,032
REGION R	\$	3,424,787	\$	542,597	\$	3,967,384
Pitt	\$	17,785,123	\$	1,186,606	\$	18,971,730
Martin	\$	1,636,660	\$	229,901	\$	1,866,561
Hertford	\$	4,128,582	\$	158,554	\$	4,287,135
Bertie	\$	2,836,050	\$	67,549	\$	2,903,599
Beaufort	\$	1,677,112	\$	157,076	\$	1,834,188
REGION Q	\$	28,063,527	\$	1,799,686	\$	29,863,213
Wayne	\$	6,795,668	\$	571,221	\$	7,366,889
Pamlico	\$	191,230	\$	17,490	\$	208,720
Onslow	\$	4,857,434	\$	466,863		5,324,297
Lenoir	\$	4,289,156	\$	445,180	\$	4,734,336
Jones	\$	225,470	\$	24,133	\$	249,603
Greene	\$	955,216	\$	32,573	\$	987,789
Duplin	\$	1,492,496	\$	97,529	\$	1,590,025
Craven	\$	3,780,549	\$	269,223	\$	4,049,772
Carteret	\$	629,549	\$	62,242	\$	691,791
REGION P	\$	23,216,767	\$	1,986,455	\$	25,203,222
Pender	\$	782,004	\$	76,000	\$	858,004
Columbus	\$	3,350,458	\$	169,011	\$	3,519,469
Brunswick	\$	1,595,176	\$	99,236	\$	1,694,412
REGION O	\$	5,727,637	\$	344,247	\$	6,071,884
Scotland	\$	1,340,841	\$	155,114	\$	1,495,954
Robeson	\$	8,956,637	\$	393,834	\$	9,350,471
Richmond	\$	2,326,596	\$	198,874	\$	2,525,470
Hoke	\$	3,866,739	\$	170,886	\$	4,037,625
Bladen	\$	3,270,024	\$	64,549	\$	3,334,573

ERA Rent and Utility Award Payments by Region

The following table represents all paid awards produced by the HOPE Program with ERA1 funds. Paid awards are any active awards where a check has been produced and mailed to a landlord or utility provider on behalf of the applicant. NCORR has not paid any awards using ERA2 funds as of the date of this report. Paid awards are presented below by region as established in SL 2021-25, Section 3.4(f).

Region/County	Rent Payments	Utility Payments	Total Payments
REGION A	\$ 652,369	\$ 182,384	\$ 834,753
Cherokee	\$ 52,105	\$ 11,327	\$ 63,432
Clay	\$ 24,065	\$ 1,075	\$ 25,140
Graham	\$ 41,520	\$ 6,676	\$ 48,196
Haywood	\$ 240,825	\$ 83,025	\$ 323,850
Jackson	\$ 162,365	\$ 36,878	\$ 199,243
Macon	\$ 79,740	\$ 33,682	\$ 113,422
Swain	\$ 51,749	\$ 9,720	\$ 61,469
REGION B	\$ 918,710	\$ 146,631	\$ 1,065,341
Henderson	\$ 737,095	\$ 114,256	\$ 851,351
Madison	\$ 85,570	\$ 1,795	\$ 87,365
Transylvania	\$ 96,045	\$ 30,579	\$ 126,624
REGION C	\$ 2,933,617	\$ 578,069	\$ 3,511,686
Cleveland	\$ 1,957,795	\$ 362,874	\$ 2,320,668
McDowell	\$ 193,501	\$ 39,749	\$ 233,250
Polk	\$ 67,135	\$ 10,916	\$ 78,051
Rutherford	\$ 715,186	\$ 164,530	\$ 879,716
REGION D	\$ 642,862	\$ 101,344	\$ 744,206
Alleghany	\$ 41,220	\$ 3,389	\$ 44,609
Ashe	\$ 26,760	\$ 3,448	\$ 30,208
Avery	\$ 25,290	\$ -	\$ 25,290
Mitchell	\$ 21,959	\$ 13,670	\$ 35,629
Watauga	\$ 168,619	\$ 12,525	\$ 181,144
Wilkes	\$ 332,124	\$ 65,784	\$ 397,908
Yancey	\$ 26,890	\$ 2,528	\$ 29,418
REGION E	\$ 1,920,432	\$ 419,396	\$ 2,339,828
Alexander	\$ 122,588	\$ 35,455	\$ 158,043
Burke	\$ 333,680	\$ 58,935	\$ 392,615
Caldwell	\$ 451,474	\$ 116,732	\$ 568,206
Catawba	\$ 1,012,690	\$ 208,274	\$ 1,220,964

REGION F	\$	5,226,557	\$ 953,192	\$ 6,179,750
Anson	\$	482,266	\$ 85,740	\$ 568,006
Iredell	\$	2,013,635	\$ 257,286	\$ 2,270,921
Lincoln	\$	421,117	\$ 62,350	\$ 483,467
Rowan	\$	1,776,062	\$ 410,612	\$ 2,186,674
Stanly	\$	533,477	\$ 137,205	\$ 670,682
REGION G	\$	8,674,068	\$ 2,068,155	\$ 10,742,222
Alamance	\$	3,658,288	\$ 677,072	\$ 4,335,360
Caswell	\$	136,808	\$ 40,125	\$ 176,933
Davidson	\$	1,338,866	\$ 524,853	\$ 1,863,719
Davie	\$	261,228	\$ 55,345	\$ 316,573
Montgomery	\$	464,248	\$ 62,608	\$ 526,856
Randolph	\$	910,810	\$ 242,221	\$ 1,153,031
Rockingham	\$	1,181,470	\$ 309,862	\$ 1,491,332
Stokes	\$	181,734	\$ 34,031	\$ 215,765
Surry	\$	344,150	\$ 83,634	\$ 427,784
Yadkin	\$	196,465	\$ 38,404	\$ 234,869
REGION J	\$	2,892,820	\$ 563,505	\$ 3,456,324
Chatham	\$	331,828	\$ 73,746	\$ 405,574
Lee	\$	772,778	\$ 126,438	\$ 899,216
Moore	\$	495,240	\$ 105,920	\$ 601,160
Orange	\$	1,292,974	\$ 257,400	\$ 1,550,374
REGION K	\$	3,064,550	\$ 649,400	\$ 3,713,949
Franklin	\$	612,059	\$ 121,619	\$ 733,678
Granville	\$	790,277	\$ 120,149	\$ 910,426
Person	\$	443,401	\$ 89,485	\$ 532,887
Vance	\$	1,218,812	\$ 318,147	\$ 1,536,959
Warren	\$	135,485	\$ 9,874	\$ 145,359
REGION L	\$	15,335,889	\$ 2,062,791	\$ 17,398,680
Edgecombe	\$	3,606,868	\$ 422,786	\$ 4,029,654
Halifax	\$	3,928,654	\$ 471,967	\$ 4,400,621
Nash	\$	3,720,666	\$ 727,968	\$ 4,448,635
Northampton	\$	1,005,609	\$ 108,670	\$ 1,114,279
Wilson	\$	3,074,091	\$ 331,399	\$ 3,405,490
REGION M	\$	2,184,563	\$ 407,669	\$ 2,592,233
Harnett	\$	1,585,185	\$ 285,246	\$ 1,870,431
Sampson	\$	599,378	\$ 122,423	\$ 721,801
REGION N	\$	9,162,051	\$ 913,455	\$ 10,075,506
Bladen	\$	1,421,175	\$ 61,476	\$ 1,482,651
Hoke	\$	1,840,790	\$ 159,013	\$ 1,999,803
Richmond	\$ \$	1,307,074	\$ 186,178	\$ 1,493,252
Robeson		3,930,536	\$ 360,794	\$ 4,291,331
Scotland	\$	662,476	\$ 145,993	\$ 808,469

REGION O	\$ 2,790,479	\$ 328,948	\$ 3,119,427
Brunswick	\$ 849,561	\$ 92,546	\$ 942,107
Columbus	\$ 1,470,633	\$ 163,499	\$ 1,634,132
Pender	\$ 470,286	\$ 72,903	\$ 543,189
REGION P	\$ 11,784,797	\$ 1,809,158	\$ 13,593,956
Carteret	\$ 214,499	\$ 59,300	\$ 273,799
Craven	\$ 1,863,396	\$ 246,123	\$ 2,109,520
Duplin	\$ 687,920	\$ 91,130	\$ 779,050
Greene	\$ 494,007	\$ 27,900	\$ 521,907
Jones	\$ 109,110	\$ 23,276	\$ 132,386
Lenoir	\$ 2,470,217	\$ 403,670	\$ 2,873,886
Onslow	\$ 2,382,398	\$ 423,129	\$ 2,805,527
Pamlico	\$ 92,030	\$ 16,777	\$ 108,807
Wayne	\$ 3,471,221	\$ 517,853	\$ 3,989,074
REGION Q	\$ 14,421,663	\$ 1,606,752	\$ 16,028,415
Beaufort	\$ 978,309	\$ 147,122	\$ 1,125,431
Bertie	\$ 1,314,658	\$ 61,909	\$ 1,376,567
Hertford	\$ 1,970,837	\$ 144,346	\$ 2,115,183
Martin	\$ 752,262	\$ 209,195	\$ 961,457
Pitt	\$ 9,405,597	\$ 1,044,180	\$ 10,449,777
REGION R	\$ 1,640,287	\$ 514,284	\$ 2,154,571
Camden	\$ 63,275	\$ 20,763	\$ 84,038
Chowan	\$ 111,471	\$ 29,285	\$ 140,756
Currituck	\$ 91,855	\$ 59,080	\$ 150,935
Dare	\$ 76,755	\$ 21,257	\$ 98,012
Gates	\$ 151,606	\$ 7,708	\$ 159,315
Hyde	\$ 25,245	\$ 6,365	\$ 31,610
Pasquotank	\$ 656,488	\$ 163,537	\$ 820,024
Perquimans	\$ 60,481	\$ 34,841	\$ 95,322
Tyrrell	\$ 35,490	\$ 19,582	\$ 55,072
Washington	\$ 367,621	\$ 151,865	\$ 519,487
Grand Total	\$ 84,245,713	\$ 13,305,131	\$ 97,550,845

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR RE-ALLOTMENTS

Section 3.4(k)(3) of SL 2021-25 directs NCORR to make recommendations on statewide re-allotments, by county and region, needed in advance of the federal deadline for reallocation of unused funds. The US Department of Treasury has published a deadline of September 30, 2021, for the grantees to obligate 65% of ERA1 funds, which the HOPE Program will achieve based on current projections.

Although the HOPE Program is obligating funds at a fast rate, NCORR does not foresee exceeding the regional maximum allotments set out in SL 2021-25. The HOPE Program continues to engage in broad-based and targeted outreach in communities across the state, which is expected to result in growing

applications. At the same time, NCORR is monitoring obligations in each of the regions to determine if any regional allotments will be maximized. The Department of Public Safety may bring recommendations to the General Assembly in the future regarding the regional maximum allotments, but NCORR does not recommend adjustments to any regional maximum allotments as of the date of this report.